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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE TO THE PRES-
IDENT FROM GOVERNOR OF ANTIOQUIA OSCAR MONTOYA MONTOYA

1. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, TRANSLATION OF TEXT OF JULY 3
COMMERCIAL TELEGRAM FROM GOVERNOR OF ANTIOQUIA OSCAR MON-
TOYA MONTOYA TO THE PRESIDENT READS QUOTE THE PEOPLE AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ANTIOQUIA, COLOMBIA, AGAIN
EXPRESS THEIR ADMIRATION, ESTEEM, AND FRIENDSHIP FOR YOUR
GREAT NATION, THE PIONEER OF LIBERTY AND DEMOCRACY IN THE
WORLD. YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, SYMBOLIZE WITH HONOR AND STATES-
MANSHIP 200 YEARS OF AN IMPERISHABLE LINE OF EXEMPLARY
LEADERS WHOM HISTORY REMEMBERS WITH RESPECT. OSCAR MONTOYA
MONTOYA, GOVERNOR OF ANTIOQUIA. UNQUOTE.

2. CONSULATE SHOULD DELIVER FOLLOWING RESPONSE IN NAME OF
AMBASSADOR OR OTHER APPROPRIATE OFFICIAL ON BEHALF OF
PRESIDENT FORD TO THE GOVERNOR. QUOTE DEAR GOVERNOR MON-
TOYA: PRESIDENT FORD HAS ASKED THAT I THANK YOU FOR YOUR
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VERY KIND MESSAGE OF GOOD WISHES ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF OUR

INDEPENDENCE. WE ENTER OUR THIRD CENTURY WITH PRIDE IN OUR
HERITAGE AND RENEWED DEDICATION TO THE PRINCIPLES OF FREE-
DOM, DIGNITY AND EQUALITY ON WHICH OUR COUNTRY WAS FOUNDED.
WE WARMLY WELCOME YOUR EXPRESSION OF GOOD WILL IN

SHARING WITH US THIS BICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF OUR
NATION'S INDEPENDENCE. UNQUOTE.

3. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT
WISHES TO DO SO. ROBINSON

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